

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

On Page 6, lines 4 and 5, please delete the sentence which reads "Figure 15 illustrates the three different types of commands associated with the Barcode Command Slate of the present invention."

REMARKS

The specification reference to Figure 15 has been canceled. Accordingly, upon entry of this Preliminary Amendment, the discrepancy noted in the "Notice of Omitted Item(s) in a Nonprovisional Application filed under 37 CFR 1.53(b)" dated December 27, 2001 has been corrected. Applicant respectfully requests entry of this Preliminary Amendment and favorable consideration and confirmation of the original allowance date of November 7, 2001. A copy of this Notice is attached as required.

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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES**In the Specification**

[On Page 6, lines 4 and 5, please delete the sentence which reads "Figure 15 illustrates the three different types of commands associated with the Barcode Command State of the present invention."]